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MORTUARY REPORT.—The following is the mortuary report for the week ending October 26th, compiled from sextons' returns received at the office of the Board of Health: Cause of Death: Apoplexy, 1 white; cancer, 1 white; cholera infantum, 1 colored; consumption, 3 white, 2 colored; total, 5 white, 2 colored; 1 white, 2 colored; total, 3; debility, 1 white; diarrhoea, 2 white; diphtheria, 1 white; fever (typhoid), 1 white; 1 colored—total, 2; insanity, 1 colored; marasmus, 1 colored; paralysis, 2 white; pneumonia, 1 white; premela, 1 white; tuberculosis, 1 white; 1 white. Whole number of deaths in the city, exclusive of still-births, 25. Sex and Color: Males, 9 white, 6 colored—total, 15; females, 7 white, 3 colored—total, 10. Age: One day to thirty, 4 white, 1 colored—total, 5; one month to six, 1 colored—total, 1; six months to one year, 1 white, 1 colored—total, 2; one year to three, 2 white, 1 colored—total, 3; three to five, 1 white, 1 colored—total, 2; five to ten, 1 white, 1 colored—total, 2; ten to twenty, 1 white, 1 colored—total, 2; twenty to thirty, 2 white, 1 colored—total, 3; thirty to fifty, 1 white; fifty years to sixty, 1 white; sixty years to seventy, 1 white. Condition: Single, 1 white, 1 colored—total, 2; married, 1 white, 1 colored—total, 2. Nativity: Richmond, 15; other parts of United States, 8; Germany, 1; Ireland, 1. Locality: City at large, 1 white; Marshall Ward, 3 white, 2 colored—total, 5; Jefferson Ward, 4 white, 1 colored—total, 5; Madison Ward, 2 white; Monroe Ward, 4 white, 1 colored—total, 5; Clay Ward, 2 colored; Jackson Ward, 3 colored; Alms-house, 3 white.

COMPARATIVE WEEKLY MORTALITY.  
Total deaths—10 12 8 16 14 20 16 9 Still-born—3 8 5 16 14 20 16 9 Population of city estimated at 79,000. Rate of mortality of colored population was 16.45 per 1,000 per annum; rate of mortality of white population was 18.36 per 1,000 per annum; rate of mortality of colored population was 13.88 per 1,000 per annum.

MEAN TEMPERATURE for the week ending October 19th, 67°; 0°; mean temperature for the week ending October 26th, 59°; 85°. Amount of rainfall for week ending October 19th, 0.74 inches; amount of rainfall for week ending October 26th, 3.00 inches.

A TRIP TO PETERSBURG—ODD-FELLOWS' REUNION.—Monday night some eighty-five representatives of the Richmond lodges of Odd-Fellows accepted an invitation from Monroe Lodge, of Petersburg, and left for that city at 8 o'clock P. M. They were met in that city about 8 o'clock by a reception committee, and escorted to Odd-Fellows' Hall. Here the beautiful work of the order was exemplified. After which the parties were escorted to Masonic Hall, where a banquet was spread. The banquet was a magnificent one, and the order of the day was Norfolk, Manchester, Petersburg, and other places, to the number of over two hundred.

AFTER SOME TIME spent in discussing the order, the committee adjourned to the ball on Monday evening, where a train was taken at 2:30 A. M., and about 2 o'clock the party returned, in every way pleased with the trip. There were no drinkables, but a surfeit of all seasonable delicacies, and all who attended felt that it was good that they had been together. The trip did much to revive and cement the old-fellows of Richmond and the Cockade City.

THE ADDRESS of welcome was made by Past Grand Master J. B. Blanks. Among the other speakers were P. G. Courtney, Past Grand Teller, Burr, Vaughan, Whitworth, Bass, and others.

CITY COMMITTEE.—There was a meeting of the City Conservative Committee last night. Preparations were partially made for a joint meeting of the voters of Monroe and Madison Wards, the night of Monday next. The committee adjourned to meet on Monday night at seven o'clock.

BALL.—The Richmond Social and Pleasure Club will give their grand ball on Monday evening, November 19th, at Skinker Hall.

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